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SUBJECT: EC TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS

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1. THE COMMUNITY HAD ANOTHER ROUND OF TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS WITH INDIA LAST WEEK. ACCORDING TO A COMMISSION SOURCE, "GREAT PROGRESS" WAS MADE, BUT THE TWO SIDES REMAIN APART OF THE RESTRAINT LEVELS FOR TWO CATEGORIES.

2. A NEW ROUND OF THE EC-PAKISTAN TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD, OUR SOURCE SAYS, BEGIN SOON--POSSIBLY ON JAN 29, CERTAINLY BY EARLY FEBRUARY.

3. THE COMMISSION IS STILL DISCUSSING WITH MEMBER STATES THE PROPOSED AGREEMENTS WITH HONG KONG AND KOREA. ANOTHER COMMISSION-MEMBER STATES MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JAN 22-23. THE COMMISSION ALSO HAS LARGELY COMPLETED ITS PROPOSALS FOR AGREEMENTS WITH SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA, AND MACAO. THE QUESTION OF WHETHER AN AGREEMENT WITH JAPAN

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NEED BE SOUGHT IS STILL UP IN THE AIR.

4. OUR SOURCE HOPES THAT WITH LUCK THE INDIA, PAKISTAN, HONG KONG, AND KOREA AGREEMENTS CAN BE CONCLUDED, AND NEGOTIATIONS INITIATED WITH OTHER PRINCIPAL EXPORTERS, BY MARCH 31, AT WHICH TIME THE EC COULD ALSO HAVE READY ITS OVERALL SCHEME FOR TEXTILE IMPORTS. IN THE MEANTIME, THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN REVISING UPWARD ITS UNILATERAL QUOTAS, MOST RECENTLY THOSE ON JAPANESE AND TAIWAN PRODUCTS.

5. TARIFF SURVEILLANCE BOARD: OUR SOURCE SAYS THAT SOAMES AND WELLENSTEIN ARE NOW EXAMINING THE QUESTION OF A PERMANENT EC REPRESENTATIVE ON THE TSB (TO REPLACE MEYNELL). APPARENTLY AN EX-COMMISSION OFFICIAL IS BEING CONSIDERED. GREENWALD

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